

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-10 are amended to address the noted objections and 35 U.S.C. §112 rejections. The Abstract is amended to address the noted objection.
2. Claims 1-3 and 6-10 are not unpatentable over Rautiola et al. ("Rautiola") and Jiang et al. ("Jiang") under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).

The claims recited by Applicant are directed to enabling the use of packet-switched services inside an office network. In a typical system, such as that disclosed by Rautiola, the office base transceiver station is not an interface to a GPRS system. An interface to a GPRS system requires GPRS protocol layers. A mobile system connected to an office system through a base transceiver station as described by Rautiola will not be able to utilize GPRS services because the base transceiver station does not include GPRS protocol layers and is thus, not an interface to the GPRS system. This deficiency is generally acknowledged by the Examiner where he states that Rautiola fails to disclose a serving support node, packet control unit and gateway support node, which are configured to support the packet data protocol. (page 5, lines 14-18, OA 03/06/2006).

Rautiola requires that the mobile station establish a connection to the office system through the base transceiver station, which is an interface that is arranged to route only circuit-switched speech connections to the office system. (See e.g. Col. 5, lines 51-67). Rautiola is limited to the GSM network, performs only conversions defined in the GSM standard, and makes no disclosure whatsoever related to a GPRS system. (Col. 8, lines 9-23). Thus, a drawback of Rautiola is that it does not enable the use of packet-switched services inside the office network, and rather requires that the mobile terminal connect to a public mobile network to utilize packet-switched services. (see e.g. Col. 6, lines 45-49).

However, in Applicant's claims, Applicant recites a radio access gateway, serving support node and a gateway support node to provide the implementation of appropriate packet-switched gateway elements inside the network and an appropriate routing for carrying out the internal packet switched services of the office network. These features are not disclosed or suggested by the combination of Rautiola and Jiang.

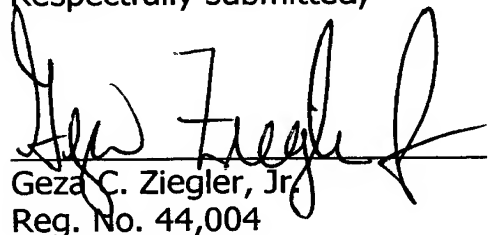
First, there is no motivation to combine Rautiola with Jiang. Rautiola relates to an office communication system which, provides, in addition to conventional telephone services, data communication and other advanced services. (Col. 1, lines 1-9). To achieve this end, a gateway computer is used to control the connections in the direction of the cellular radio system exchange. The local area network connects the gateway computer to a group of base units serving as radio base stations. (Col. 3, lines 35-44). Jiang relates to providing information to devices in a format preferable to the device. (Abstract). Neither of these references relate to adding GPRS elements, such as a radio access gateway, serving support node and a gateway support node to provide the implementation of appropriate packet-switched gateway elements inside the network and an appropriate routing for carrying out the internal packet switched services of the office network, as claimed by Applicant. Rather, all that Jiang discloses related to GPRS is that a packet-switched network exists, and that it can be used for communication. Referring to Col. 8, lines 1-9, Jiang only mentions that the WPM can interface with a General Packet Radio Service (GPRS), as one possible communication channel. The mere reference to a GPRS system in Jiang would not lead on to modify Rautiola in view of Jiang in an attempt to achieve what is claimed by Applicant. All Jiang discloses is interfacing with a GPRS. The Examiner suggests that the motivation would be to have greater degree of control and predicatability of IP addressing among mobile users and avoiding IP address conflict. However, it is respectfully submitted that there is no such disclosure or suggestion in either Rautiola or Jiang, and the Examiner is requested to specifically point out where any such suggestion or motivation is found in the references. In order to establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness under 35 U.S.C.

§103(a), the motivation to combine references must be found in the references themselves. The mere disclosure of GPRS in Jiang will not motivate one of skill in the art to combine Jiang with Rautiola. Rather, it is submitted that any suggestion of combining Jiang with Rautiola can only be with hindsight knowledge of what is claimed by Applicant.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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